IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI NORTHERN DIVISION

OCTAVIOUS BURKS, JOSHUA BASSETT, ON BEHALF OF THEMSELVES AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED

PLAINTIFFS

VS.

CIVIL ACTION NO.: 3:14-cv-745-HTW-LRA

SCOTT COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; THE HONORABLE MARCUS D. GORDON, in his official capacity; THE HONORABLE BILL FREEMAN, in his official capacity; THE HONORABLE WILBUR MCCURDY, in his official capacity; MARK DUNCAN, DISTRICT ATTORNEY for the 8th CIRCUIT COURT DISTRICT, in his official capacity; MIKE LEE, SCOTT COUNTY SHERIFF, in his official capacity

DEFENDANTS

SCOTT COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI'S STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW, Scott County, Mississippi, by and through counsel, and in response to the Court's March 2, 2017 order, would show unto the Court as follows:

- 1. This suit arises out of the alleged post-arrest, pre-indictment incarcerations of Octavious Banks and Joshua Bassett. *CM/ECF Doc. No. 39*, ¶ 1-2.
- 2. On March 2, 2017, this Court issued an order requiring the parties to disclose to the Court whether "this case is still a live controversy or has been settled or is on the verge of settlement."
- 3. As required by this order, the defendants would state that this matter is still a live controversy.
 - 4. Settlement is a possibility in this case at the current time.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, for the reasons stated hereinabove, Scott County, Mississippi affirmatively avers that this matter is a live controversy and is not on the verge of settlement at this time.

DATE: March 3, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

SCOTT COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

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CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned of Allen, Allen, Breeland & Allen, PLLC, hereby certify that on this day, I electronically filed the foregoing Status Report with the Clerk of the Court using the ECF system which gave notice of same to the following:

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